GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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WASTAGE OF AVAILABLE CAPACITY
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether CAG in their Report 9 of 1999 (page 234-253) has brought out the wastage of available capacity of workshops, avoidable expenditure and reduction in coach fleet for traffic amongst other things;

(b) if so, the action taken by his Ministry on each of the matters taken up in the Coach Maintenance chapter indicating the availability of coach fleet for the desired numbers for traffic?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIST RAILWAYS(SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The wastage of available workshop capacity, avoidable expenditure and reduction in availability of coaches was attributed to premature POH of coaches by the Audit. These were, however, unavoidable for various reasons like safety considerations warranting premature POH and seasonal variations in traffic requirement. The premature POH is kept to bare minimum and was 3.5-4.5% for the period under review. The availability of coaching fleet has also been kept upto the prescribed targets for traffic use. These details have already been furnished to the CAG.